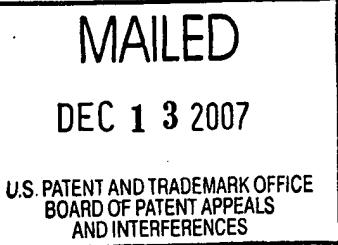


UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte: HARUKI YOSHIDA AND YOSITAKA ITO



Application No. 10/779,880

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on December 5, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Appellant filed an Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) dated June 5, 2006 and November 3, 2006. There is no indication on the record that the Examiner has signed the above IDS's. MPEP § 609 requires the Examiner to consider any Information Disclosure Statement filed by Applicant if timely submitted. A written communication notifying Appellant of the Examiner's consideration of the above Information Disclosure Statement is required.

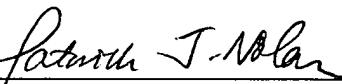
CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to:

- 1) consider the Information Disclosure Statements filed June 5, 2006 and November 3, 2006; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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